

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Günther, et al.

Art Unit: 1742

Serial No.: 10/069,498

Examiner: Pelham, J.M.

Filing Date: February 27, 2002

For: ELECTRIC HEATING ELEMENT FOR HOT RUNNER SYSTEMS  
AND A METHOD FOR PRODUCING A HEATING ELEMENT OF THIS TYPE

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In response to the office action of January 23, 2004, Applicant submits herewith a Terminal Disclaimer.

In the outstanding Office Action, the only issue raised by the Examiner was an obviousness-type double patenting rejection wherein claims 86-125 were rejected over co-pending application no. 10/182,383. Submission of the aforementioned Terminal Disclaimer overcomes this rejection, and places this application in condition for allowance.

Accordingly, the Examiner is respectfully requested to examine this application and promptly pass claims 86-125 onto issuance.

The Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned if any other issues remain in this application.

Again, reconsideration and allowance of this application is respectfully solicited.

The Terminal Disclaimer fee is attached herewith in the form of a check in the

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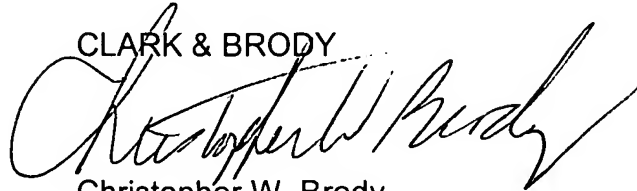
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Respectfully submitted,

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